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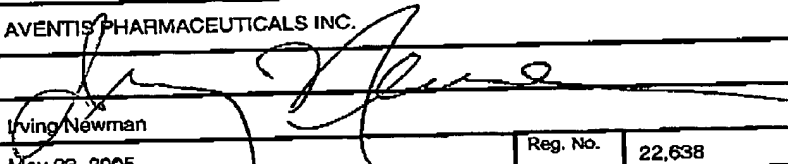
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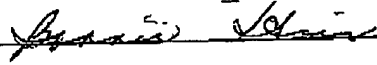
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This is a Rule 121 Amendment in the above-identified patent application in response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2005, having a response due by June 30, 2005. It is respectfully requested that the following amendments and remarks be entered in this case.